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October 12, 1993

Mr. Thomas H. Shore District Ranger Manti-LaSal National Forest 150 South Main 6-4 Ephraim, UT 84627

Re: Reclamation Surety for the Henry 1 and 2 mine site, Harold H. Davis and

Sons, M/023/023, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Shore:

The Division is currently finalizing the state's permitting requirements for the Henry 1 and 2 Mine, located in Sec. 19, T15S, R1E, Juab County, Utah. As part of this process, the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act requires the filing of an appropriate surety to assure that mine site reclamation takes place upon cessation of mining operations.

It is our understanding that the operator has posted a \$33,000 surety bond with the Forest Service to secure reclamation of this mine site. The joint agency Memorandum of Understanding signed in September of 1989, by the Division and the Forest Service, contains a provision indicating that reclamation sureties will be made out in the names of the respective cooperating agencies. The MOU also requires the agency holding the surety to obtain written concurrence from the cooperating agency prior to releasing/returning it to the operator.

The surety is not jointly held, therefore we are requesting written confirmation from the Forest Service that the surety will not be released without the Division's written consent. For your convenience, we have prepared a form letter which only requires an appropriately dated signature to resolve this request (see attachment). You may prepare your own letter if you prefer to do so.

The Division must seek formal approval from the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining for the amount and form of reclamation surety. The Board will evaluate the



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surety documents and will require assurance that the State (DOGM) has some form of control over the disposition of the surety.

The Division recently sent the Forest Service a copy of our (\$22,100) reclamation estimate for this site. Should the Forest Service decide to accept our figure, the Division will proceed with the necessary steps to acquire and hold a new *joint agency* surety for this mine site. Once established, the Forest Service could release and return the \$33,000 surety to the operator. The operator is aware of this contingency. If the Forest Service and operator agree and choose to post a revised replacement surety, please let us know at your earliest convenience. We will then forward the appropriate (DOGM) surety forms to the operator.

Thank you for your time and assistance in helping us complete this permitting procedure. Please contact me or Holland Shepherd of the Minerals staff, if you have questions or concerns with this request.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment

cc: Lowell Braxton, DOGM

Harold Davis, H.E. Davis & Sons

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CONFIRMATION LETTER/AGREEMENT for Reclamation Surety

This letter is intended to reaffirm the *Reclamation Surety* provisions/agreements as outlined on page 11, section H, item # 7, of the signed joint agency Memorandum of Understanding (FS Control #: A), dated September 5, 1989, between the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, the USDA Forest Service (Region 4), and the USDI Bureau of Land Management, State of Utah.

The agency holding the surety agrees not to release the surety until the reclamation work required by the Notice/Plan has been completed in a manner satisfactory to both agencies, as documented in writing.

DOGM Mine file #:M/023/023		
Operator Name: <u>H.E. Davis and Sons</u>		
Mine Name: Henry #1 and #2		
Type/form of Surety and Acct. #:Surety be	ond	
Surety Amount: <u>\$ 33,000</u>		
Reclamation Surety Obligee: <u>United States F</u>	Forest Service	
By signature affixed below, we hereby as outlined above as they apply to the the prescribed mine site.	-	
Signature		
Name (typed or printed)		
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this	_ day of	, 19
My Commission Expires:	Notary Public Residing at:_	>
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